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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of Congressional Affairs

FROM:
Director of Information Services

SUBJECT: Library of Congress Request for Review of a CIA Document

1. Chief, Information and Privacy Division (C/IPD) received a request from Ms. Mary M. Wolfskill of the Manuscript Division, Library of Congress (MD/LoC) to review a classified document that appeared to be of interest to CIA. An Air Force major doing research for a dissertation paper has requested the document which was classified TOP SECRET and was found in the personal papers of General Hoyt S. Vandenberg. C/IPD passed the request to Chief, Classification Review Division (C/CRD) for action. C/CRD contacted Ms. Wolfskill to arrange a visit and was asked whether it would be possible for CRD to look at several other classified documents that also appeared to be of interest to CIA. That was agreed to and C/CRD and Chief, Classification Review Division/Manuscript and Special Review Branch (C/CRD/MSRB) visited the Library of Congress, Room 101 Manuscript Reading Room, on 1 July 1986.

2. The document on which the request was originally based was a blind memo dated 4 May 1948: Penetration and Compromise of OSS in Switzerland and Western Europe (Allan (sic) Dulles). The document was nine pages long and was classified TOP SECRET. The first page carried a stamp showing that the document had been declassified under E.O. 12065 on 1/15/80. Ms. Wolfskill stated that she believed the initials were those of an Air Force reviewer. She also stated that the document has always been kept in the same box with other still classified documents and in the classified vault so access would have been only to those with security clearances. Though marked declassified, Ms. Wolfskill did not want to release the document without first checking with CIA and therefore the call to IPD. A copy of the document was brought back to CIA and the CRD review is being coordinated with the Directorate of Operations/Information Review Officer (DO/IRO).

3. In addition to this OSS document Ms. Wolfskill had about 20 other documents plus four folders of OSS field intelligence reports which we also reviewed. Most of the documents had to remain classified to protect sources and methods but the OSS field reports could be declassified. The field reports dealt with bomb damage in Nazi Germany and some with German military order of battle. They were in the personal papers of General Harold "Hap" Arnold. Other personal papers from which these documents came were those of Averell Harriman and General Carl Spaatz.

4. Should someone request any of the documents on which we retained classification, Ms. Wolfskill will send them to NARA which handles declassification review procedures for the MD/LoC. NARA will coordinate review of the documents with CIA. We made it clear to Ms. Wolfskill that we were always available to help them with classification/declassification questions but they should use their established procedures for routine declassification matters to avoid confusion. We will inform Ms. Wolfskill of the results of the review of the one main document when they have been received from the DO.

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